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WET OR DRY?
The yeomanry of Massachusetts are to-day deciding by their ballots whether the Old Bay State shall, so far as constitutional mandate can do so, banish from its territory such spirits as John Barleycorn, King Alcohol and Tom and Jerry.

It is claimed that by their presence great mischief is done, and among their crimes are the keeping of a man constantly in the lobbies of theatres, downtown and everywhere to call men from their wives and sweethearts and keep them an unreasonably long time.

It is also claimed that through their influence lodge meetings are kept in session until the "wee sma' hours" and special meetings are too frequently called.

They are specifically charged with opposition to new Spring bonnets and gowns, and that their prevailing penchant is for red noses and patched pants.

Their enemies are fierce and determined. But it is claimed, on the other hand that while they do cut up some unseemly pranks, yet that without them life in Massachusetts would be a desert drow.

It is probable that they will be allowed to stay, although they will be expected to behave themselves temperately and be a little less boisterous than heretofore.

ON TO OKLAHOMA!
The raid of the Oklahoma boomers, which broke loose to-day at noon, promises to be a great horse race. Fabulous sums have been paid for fleet-footed animals, which can hurry the boomers to their desired goals. Such a scene was probably never before witnessed in this or any other country.

The opening up to settlement of this new and rich country marks a new era in the development of the Southwest, and its influence upon all that region will be far-reaching.

It is to be hoped that the greed of the boomers will not result in scenes of bloodshed. That would be a horrible baptism of virgin soil apart by a generous Government for free homes for free men.

DO IT AT ONCE.
If the railroads are to do the fair thing by the business men of New York in the matter of "time limit" of tickets for the Centennial it must be done at once.

The request of the merchants is certainly a reasonable one, and the railroads will be needlessly antagonistic to the interests of the merchants of this city if they shall persist in the plan of hurrying the Centennial visitors home without allowing them an opportunity to patronize our stores.

The railway officials will do well to remember that the friendship of New York's business men is worth having.

IT IS HOME RULE.

The few opponents of the bill for the temporary preservation of the Polo Grounds who are urging Gov. Hill to veto it claim that the measure is one subversive of Home Rule.

Now, home rule for this city consists in the people of New York getting what they want. In accordance with this principle, the Polo Grounds be preserved for the present

baseball season, and the Legislature has heeded the public voice, while the Aldermen were deaf.

The Cantor Bill will certainly give the New York public what it wants in the Polo Ground matter, and in this regard it is in line with the Home Rule principle.

GOOD NEWS.
The good news comes, after many days of anxious waiting, that the passengers and crew of the Danmark are safe. The Missouri having taken them aboard, some are now at the Azores and others have landed in Philadelphia.

Thus is solved a mystery of the seas which has perplexed and saddened two anxious continents for two weeks past.

MUNDANE MATTERS.
The superstition that thirteen is an unlucky number did not apply to the thirteen States originally forming the Union of States over which George Washington was called to preside. This fact alone should be sufficient to thoroughly demolish that old bugaboo.

Secretary Tracy has decided that a retired naval officer cannot become an active officeholder. He must be retired in fact as well as in name. The Secretary evidently does not admire that fervent patriotism which prompts men to draw two salaries at the same time.

The announcement is made that ice is to be dear during the coming summer. It is very cold weather when ice is cheap.

It is said that the instructions to the new British Minister are simply "Don't talk or write any letters."

If things go on as at present it is possible that President Harrison may be known to future generations principally for being the father of Prince Russell.

WORLDLINGS.
Mrs. John Wamaker and family have returned to Paris from Italy, and are now at the Hotel Liverpool.

The interesting discovery of a number of oysters growing on a piece of bark has been made at Fort Wadsworth, Alaska. The oysters are supposed to have been propagated from oysters thrown overboard from the California and Oregon steamers.

Probably the most expensive carpet ever manufactured is that owned by the Maharajah of Baroda. It took three years to make, and cost \$200,000. It is made entirely of strings of pure colored pearls, with the centre and corners of diamonds.

Senator Quay is the only man in the Senate who presumes to wear clothing of any color but black or very dark brown. He astonished his colleagues some time ago by appearing in the Senate Chamber in a long outcast coat of light-colored material.

A NEEDED AMENDMENT.

The Auburn "Dispatch" says "The Evening World" Children's Bill is an Urgent Necessity of the Times.

[From the Auburn (N. Y.) Dispatch.]
The New York Evening World sums up the opinions in favor of the amendment to the "present atrocious law," as it terms it, regulating the commitment of children, to the effect that all proceedings under this section (Sec. 291, Chap. 478, Laws of 1884, and Chap. 460, Laws of 1884), when a commitment shall have been made, shall be subject to review by any court of record, upon certiorari on the facts and the law, and in such a proceeding the commitment order or judgment may be affirmed or reversed or modified in such manner and to such extent as may seem best, or a rehearing of the charge ordered. The need of a change in methods has been forcibly commented on by some of the most eminent legal authorities in the State, such as Judges Barrett, Jno. B. Brady, Lawrence, Patterson, Andrews and Beach. Judge Barrett says: "It would be better, far better, that the society be wiped out of existence than that this power for evil be retained by it for a single day."

Justice Lawrence says: "If a child is once committed by a police magistrate and there is no recourse, now, as a man and a judge, I do not think that is right. No one's liberty or destiny should depend on the say of any one man, be he police justice or Supreme Court Judge. As the law stands it is iron bound and in many cases wrong justice and is detrimental to the interests of children and parents. I think it should be amended so as to allow of some discretion in disposing of these cases."

The Republican County Committee and Tammany Hall have both unanimously endorsed the amendment.

Surely it would seem that public opinion is quite forcibly reflected in the expressions of such eminent personages and societies. An abuse has crept out of the well-meant system of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children. It does a vast amount of good, but with the law left in its present shape great harm is sometimes caused and unnecessary separation of children from parents. THE AMENDMENT IS AN URGENT NECESSITY OF THE TIMES.

A PHENOMENAL STORY.
"A Non-Conductor"—new and phenomenal story of a man who was executed by electricity but survived the shock and proved his innocence in court and convicted the criminal. Written by "The Evening World" novelist and professedly illustrated by "The Evening World" ARTISTS. IT IS MOST STARTLINGLY ORIGINAL IN PLOT AND OF INTERESTING INTEREST IN DEVELOPMENT. This notable story WILL BE PRINTED EXCLUSIVELY in "The Evening World," beginning to-morrow, April 23.

The Air-Ships to Be on Exhibition.
Peter Carmont Campbell will have his airship on exhibition in a hall on West Fourteenth street, between Sixth and Seventh avenues, opposite the Fourteenth Street Theatre, the latter part of this week. It will be kept on exhibition until Prof. Hogan is ready to take her sailing through the air, which will probably be about the 16th of next month.

Stick to Flat-Irons.
[From the Detroit Free Press.]
A woman living near Romeo, this State, put a pistol in her pocket and went out to split wood. She did manage to escape the axe, but the pistol was lost and she had to split the wood with a flat-iron.

Dyspepsia and dysentery are arrested during troubling by MORRILL'S TREATING COLIC. 25 cents.

Don't Get Caught

This Spring, as you may have been before, with your blood full of impurities, your digestion impaired, appetite poor, kidneys and liver torpid, and whole system liable to be prostrated by disease—but get yourself into good condition and ready for the changing and warmer weather by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla. It stands unequalled for purifying the blood, giving an appetite, and for a general Spring medicine. Be sure to get

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LOVE LETTERS.

First Instalment in the Fascinating Contest.

Ella Wheeler Wilcox Will Pass Judgment Upon the Epistles.

A Double Gold Eagle to the Letter That Receives Her Highest Approval.

CONDITIONS OF THE CONTEST.

THE EVENING WORLD offers a gold double eagle for the best love-letter containing a proposition of matrimony addressed to the Typical American Girl. For convenience this typical young lady will be called "Miss Columbia." No letter should contain more than two hundred words. Competitors may write over a name de plume if they so desire. Ella Wheeler Wilcox has kindly agreed to act as judge on the matter and award the prize.

Here is the best description of the typical American girl, according to Nellie Bly's contest. Competitors in the Love-Letter Contest will naturally better their characteristics in mind:

The Typical American Girl.
After the virtues and foibles of the women of the best races have been described, in all of which the typical American girl displays her distinctive characteristics, she remains to be set forth or emphasized. Foremost among these is her splendid self reliance, which, supported by an intelligence as acute as it is quick and available, enables her to obtain for herself a higher education than that accorded to the women of any other nation in the world. Proud of her country, fearless, frank, straightforward, true, she is not afraid to undertake, in personal address, vividly imaginative, impulsive and romantic, while, in practical life, she is a realist, and by instinct more social than domestic, the subject of this sketch commands respect in every sphere of life.

When to grace of mind and heart, more extraordinary than that of any other race, she is added a rare beauty of face and figure and a charm of manner which, in the opinion of the world, is unequalled. The typical American girl is equally fitted to reign in the social life of a great Republic like America as she is in the domestic life of a small town or village.

The above contest being now formally declared open, the first assortment of love-letters received are herewith printed.

Brevity Is the Soul of Wit.

Miss Columbia: Splice? ARTIE.

Dear Miss Columbia: Pertinent.

Has your pen any wealth? BUSTED.

Dear Miss Columbia: Extremes Meet.

You are self-reliant—I live on my friends; you are intelligent—let it suffice for both; you are proud of your home—I have none to be proud of; you are "tasteful in personal adornment"—I am somewhat shabby; you command respect—I have lost it; you are a realist—I am a dreamer. Two such opposites must surely harmonize by extreme difference. Will you, etc. FRANKLIN.

Rather Cold but Sincere.

Dear Miss Columbia: Recognizing your many estimable qualities and my own comparative unworthiness, I have some hesitation, therefore, in addressing you on subject of love and matrimony. The self-reliance with which you are accredited will lead you to make your own selection of a future helpmeet, irrespective of the voice of parents or friends, so that any shortcomings which may be attributed to me by less favored suitors will be carefully considered by your own wealth of common sense, a virtue which my prize-winning fellow-men have not. In your position, should you honor me with the acceptance of your hand and heart, I hold to the best of my ability, endeavor to secure your future happiness and to place it on a level of my own.

FRANKLIN.

His Vision of Happiness.

DEAREST: You know not how happy I am that I can address these few lines to you and how I look forward to that delightful time when your lamb-like mother will pay us a visit. The paying for those double lunches after the show, and the pecuniary happiness of the Easter holidays, and the prospect of a good match, gloves, and other slight bits, among other happinesses, fill me with prospective joy. AMIN, 427 West Fifty-sixth street.

Rhapsodical Utterances.

Dear Miss Columbia: I am forced to address you as the price of Creation. And place myself at your disposal. And reverse the rule more than the Queen of a nation. While I lay at your feet my timid proposal. The years that are to come will be dreary and cold. Though my lot has been cast in a land of fire and blood. But gold could not charm a heart shorted in love. Your character I've seen printed. While Evanson's name is in the air. And aged in the ranks of the chosen and few. To thee I appeal. Oh, say that you'll accept me. And heaven shall bless thee. I'll have made to attend thee. With my life I'll defend thee. Your true Irish lover and admirer, JIM. H. TAYLOR.

Free Lectures This Evening.

The free lectures given in the public schools this evening are at 210 East One Hundred and Tenth street, 30 Allen street, 208 East Forty-second street, Seventy-fourth street and East Avenue, 225 West Forty-fourth street, 227 West Forty-fifth street and 108 Broadway street. The topics are, respectively, "The Digestive System," "The Relation of Oxygen to Life," "The Chemistry of Healthy Home," "The American Idea," "Microscopic Life on the Seashore," "Electricity at Work" and "Human Machinery."

A Way of Escape.

[From the Burlington Free Press.]
Mrs. Bunker—Aren't you going to eat any breakfast this morning, John?
Mr. Bunker—No, my dear, I think I shall give up eating breakfasts for a while.

Mrs. Bunker—Give them up? What for?
Mr. Bunker—Because I don't believe you know I would drink a glass of water every morning before breakfast, and if I don't have any breakfast, you see, I shall have to do it.

Not a Proper Expression.

[From the Chicago Herald.]
Clerk at Washington—I see that the papers claim that Pension Commissioner Tanner is kicking out all the Democrats in his office. That is Visitor—Why not?
Clerk—Because he lost both legs in battle. It's the Democrats who are doing the kicking.

A Distinguishing Characteristic.

[From Harper's Bazar.]
Bixby—My lady, old boy, I wish you would tell me who this is, of the form. The fellow forgot to sign it.
Bixby—After adjusting his eyeglasses—H'm! It's from my friend Dunkey.

Bixby—Ah, so glad you recognized the writing. Bixby—But I didn't.
Bixby—Eh? How do you tell?
Bixby—I recognized the spelling.

Would Have Been Better Unaid.

[From Harper's Bazar.]
Hammerly (to fellow-passenger)—We stop here ten minutes. Wouldn't you like to get off and stretch your legs?
Fellow-passenger—No, thanks. I stretched 'em once at the battle of Gettysburg, and these 'ere ones never grow stiff.

FROM THE CITY'S WHIRL.

GLIMPSES OF METROPOLITAN LIFE FROM A NOTE-TAKER'S STANDPOINT.

The Painter Overcomes His Objections to the Pretty Harlem Widow.

"Did you ever hear the story of the pretty widow of Harlem?" said the walking delegate, with an innocent smile on his face. "Therefore many pretty widows in Harlem. Which one?" asked the reporter.

"The prettiest of them all! A pretty widow with a handsome legacy. She was left two or three rows of fine houses, and when her grief for her late husband subsided she began to put her houses in air."

"She sent to a well-known firm of painters for a man to come and paint the doors and windows in one of the houses."

"The firm sent a young journeyman, the only employee who happened to be in the shop at the time. He worked all day in the house and was considerably annoyed by the young widow, who was almost constantly around him, and directing him."

"When he returned to the shop in the evening he asked his employers to send another workman to the widow's house next day, as it was impossible to get along with her; she was so dictatorial."

"Has yet got any awards?"
"About 10 o'clock the pretty widow drove to the firm's office in her carriage and said that she wanted the painter who was sent to the house the first day to go back and finish the work."

"The firm sent for the young house painter. He came to the office expecting to be turned out. They sent him to the young widow's house. He went reluctantly."

"Within the year the journeyman house painter and the rich young widow were married. They are a happy pair and ride in Central Park now in their carriage."

Inquires That a Bowsy Second-Hand Jeweller Has to Answer.

An EVENING WORLD reporter was conversing with the proprietor of a second-hand jewelry shop on the Bowery a few afternoons ago when a boy, hatless and coatless, rushed in and interrupted the conversation with:

"No," said the dealer, "go across the street and go down a block."

The reporter had scarcely succeeded in attracting the proprietor's attention when another person entered.

He walked in very slowly, gazed around, and then drew out a card. "Do you keep electric bells?"

"No," thundered the man behind the counter. "We don't!"

"Can you tell me when I can get them?" asked the stranger, not at all abashed by the look of anger on the dealer's face.

"Go around to the Morgue," he was instructed.

"But where is that?" he asked, ignorant of the fact that he was being guided.

"Around in Mott street," answered the dealer.

The mild-mannered individual left the place, and the reporter watched him until he was turning the corner, bound towards Mott street.

Reception of the Nylve Club.

The Nylve Social Club at the Harlem Turn Hall this evening. The officers of the club are H. J. Wells, President; D. Tilton, Vice-President; E. Merkle, Treasurer; E. F. Grein, Recording Secretary; and J. P. Stutzman, Financial Secretary.

An Involuntary Brotherhood.

[From Judge.]

Mr. Philpotts (whose family is moving in from Rye)—I rather think this collection will astonish you.

Mr. Philpotts—Aren't you glad to see me? I have just come from the park.

When to Use a Pistol.
[From the Boston Post.]
A bill was lately introduced into the Nebraska Legislature forbidding the "firing of any pistol, revolver, shotgun, rifle, or any firearms whatsoever on any public road or highway, or within sixty yards of such public road or highway, except to destroy some wild, ferocious and dangerous beast, or an officer in the discharge of his duty."

She Did Know.

[From Harper's Bazar.]
"Oh, how stupid you are!" ejaculated Mrs. Pootson, as her daughter Jenny made some mistake in her cooking. "I don't believe you know the difference between a whale and a fried oyster."

"Yes, I do," said Jenny; "one's cooked and the other isn't."

WASHINGTON

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CONTEMPLATING VISITING THE METROPOLIS DURING THE WASHINGTON INAUGURAL ARE EXTENDED THE FACILITIES OF "THE WORLD'S" INFORMATION BUREAU AS ABOVE.

DOES THIS MEAN YOU?

Why So Many People Feel Weak, Tired and Nervous in the Spring.

The most prevalent complaint at this season of the year is weakness and debility. People have a more or less constant sense of exhaustion or prostration, getting tired at physical or mental work formerly could be done with ease. With this weakness there is nervousness, accompanied by a languid and enervated feeling.

The cause is that there is an exhaustion of the nerve powers and prostration of the nervous vitality. This will be readily understood when it is considered that the nervous system is the seat of all our thoughts, feelings, and actions, and that it controls the action of all our organs as well as all our movements, and is the force and power by which we live. It is plain, therefore, that when, for any cause, the nervous power, energy and strength are reduced or exhausted physical and nervous prostration must inevitably follow.

If, then, people find themselves weak, languid or tired, with more or less nervousness, they may be certain that it is an account of an exhausted nervous vitality. If this condition is allowed to continue or the disease to progress until physical and nervous prostration will certainly follow.

Persons thus affected are often, in addition to the weak and tired feeling, nervous, sleepless, despondent and mentally depressed. There will be many cases of dull, cloudy sensation in the head, with bad feelings in the eyes and a tired feeling on arising in the morning.

It is an obvious fact that if a cure is to be obtained in these cases it can be effected only by the remedy which builds up nerve force in the system, strengthens the nerves and restores lost energy and power. This remedy is Dr. Greene's Nervura, the great brain and nerve restorer and health restorer, and we promise our readers that, if they will use this wonderful remedy, they will be restored to perfect health, strength and vigor. Its wonderful effects as a nerve cure and strength restorer to the weakened and debilitated system are without a parallel in the history of medicine, and it is everywhere pronounced the greatest health restorer in existence. Sufferers from any form of weakness, nervous disease, nervous or physical debility, nervous prostration or exhaustion may easily demonstrate for themselves its great curative power by its use, as the remedy may be had at any druggist's at \$1 per bottle. It is by far the best known remedy for spring debility and those weak, tired and languid feelings so common during the Spring.

Dr. Greene, of 35 West Fourth street, New York, the discoverer of this great remedy, is the most eminent specialist in the cure of nervous and chronic diseases, and may be consulted free of charge, personally or by mail.

SLAVERY AND WRETCHED PAY.

Making Artificial Flowers Until 2 A. M. at Four Cents a Gross.

Having occasion to visit a friend living in a tenement on the east side last evening, I was surprised by the following information.

The mother of a young working girl was present showing my friend some very pretty imported artificial flowers which the daughter had wired and bunched.

During the conversation the mother stated that her daughter, with some others, was the youngest employed at a house on Broadway, but had served some three years at the wages of \$3 a week, including board (when at work), and about \$2 a week extra working at nights from 6 P. M. to 2 A. M.; was furnished with just such money to make her week's wages average a certain amount, and for such work was paid the meager sum of four cents per gross.

She was compelled to do this or forfeit her employment. This employer, in question is, I believe, the same who is now in the hands of the law, but when asked for an increase of 2 or 3 cents a gross for making these flowers, complains that he cannot afford it owing to the enormous expense attached to this business.

Not knowing the real cost and value of these articles, I do not wish to say too much, but would certainly give you the name of the firm for which this girl works, but for the fact that it would look like prejudice and probably be the means of the girls in the shop being discharged.

It is not strange that so many girls go astray for the meanness they have to put up with and the contemptible pay they get for making their employers rich, in connection with the harshness of an ordinary tenement house life, is enough to discourage any girl and cause her to look for kindness, however slight, from the source which leads in time to an unknown grave. I. AMSTRONG.

The Big Circus in Brooklyn.

Barnum & Bailey's big circus opens in Brooklyn to-night, and as may safely be predicted the show will be visited by great crowds. The exhibition will be on a larger scale than was given in this city, as the confines of the Madison Square Garden would not admit of the whole performance, which includes the Black Wizard's tent and the great horse fair. In other respects the same performance as was given in this city will be reproduced, and as their stay is limited to one week, it is well to get the opportunity of seeing it.

The street parade was given in Brooklyn this morning, and the route was lined with enthusiastic spectators.

Amateur Baseball Notes.

The Consolidated Stock and Petroleum Exchange Club are open for challenges. F. Manning, 404 East Eighty-third street.

The boys of the Nativty Academy defeated the Grammar School boys by a score of 7 to 1.

The Capitals will play clubs under sixteen years. C. Conner, E. O. 122, New Brighton, S. I.

M. Sternfeld, of 1408 Second avenue, denies that he is connected with any baseball club.

The Jolly Cavaliers will play clubs under seventeen years. W. Osterling, 127 First avenue.

Oscar Brown, of 527 Garden street, Holoken, wants to play clubs under sixteen years.

Any club wanting a good shortstop or second baseman can find one in the person of J. J. Conner, 127 First avenue.

The Young Bohemians want a few players. T. Pandy, 135 Crozier street.

The Young Bohemians defeated the Metropolitan by a score of 14 to 5, and the challenge clubs under thirteen years. J. Park, 234 Fourth avenue.